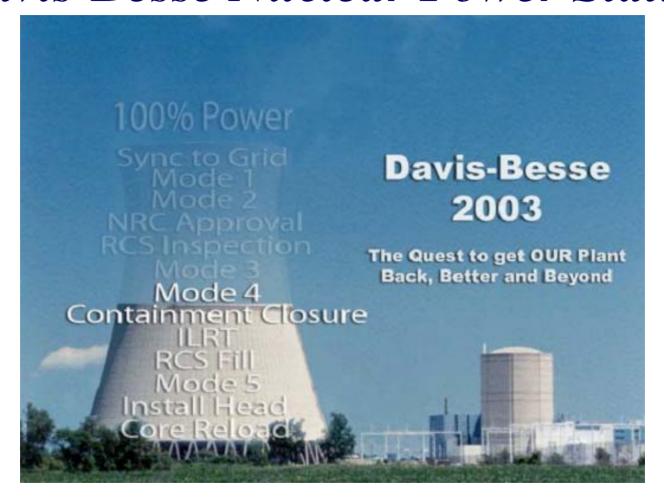


### Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station



IMC 0350 Meeting



### **Meeting Agenda**

•High Pressure Injection Pumps	Bob Schrauder
•Electrical Distribution System	Jim Powers
•Plant Readiness for Mode 4	Mark Bezilla
•Operations Start-Up Plan	Rick Dame
•Restart Milestones/Actions	Mark Bezilla
•Safety Culture Assessment Results and Readiness for Mode 4/3	
	Lew Myers
•Quality Assurance Oversight	Steve Loehlein

## Lew Myers Chief Operating Officer - FENOC





**Bob Schrauder Director - Support Services** 



### **Desired Outcome**

•Provide you with an understanding of our solution path for the High Pressure Injection Pumps. This solution assures the Davis-Besse HPI pumps will be operable for all conditions



### Topics

- Defense-in-Depth DesignSolution
- -Project Progress
- –Key Preliminary TestFindings
- -Final Test Loop Criteria
- -Project Completion Plans



**High Pressure Injection Pump** 



#### •Use Defense-in-Depth Approach Increases Safety Margin

- -Incorporates and improves hydrostatic bearing design qualified by Pump Guinard and used as the standard design in French PWRs
- -Locates bearing supply line on discharge side of impeller to reduce concentration and size of debris reaching hydrostatic bearing
- -Use 50 or 90 mil strainer to protect hydrostatic bearing orifices
- Includes "escape" grooves in hydrostatic bearing to allow debris to exit pockets and prevent plugging
- -Hardface all critical wear surfaces: wear rings, bushing, hydrostatic bearing



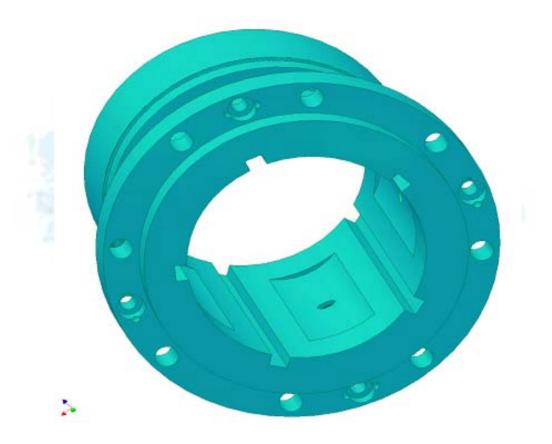
### Project Progress

- Modification design concept developed and preliminary verification testing performed
- -Verification testing provided information to finalize design and properly characterize debris loading for qualification testing
- -Currently, optimizing design and finalizing the qualification test criteria



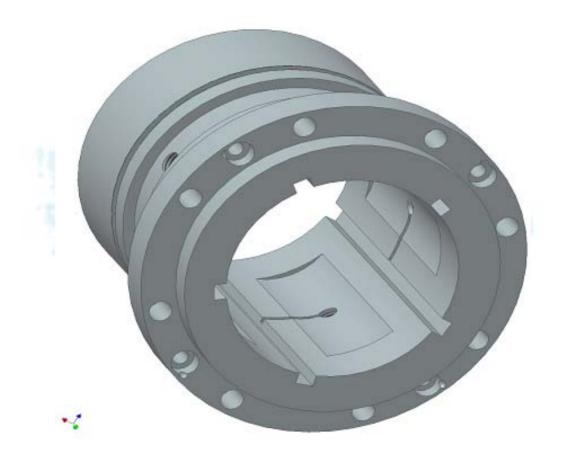
- Preliminary Test Findings
  - -Debris larger than hydrostatic bearing clearance can become lodged in bearing pockets, plugging pockets
  - -Fibrous material in significant quantities is problematic for tight clearances and strainer performance
  - -Unrealistic LBLOCA debris characterization combined with SBLOCA pump flow resulted in excessive debris loading





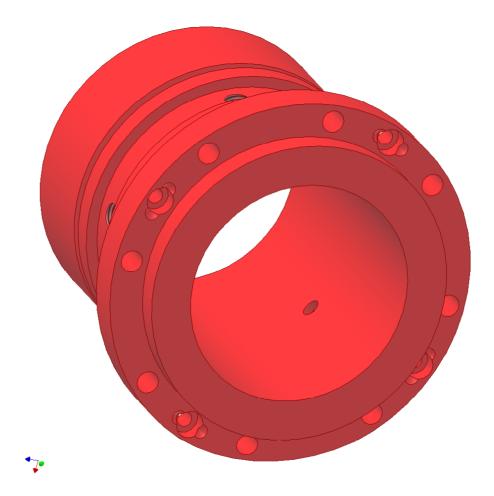
**Original Hydrostatic Bearing Unmodified** 





Original Hydrostatic Bearing with Grooves

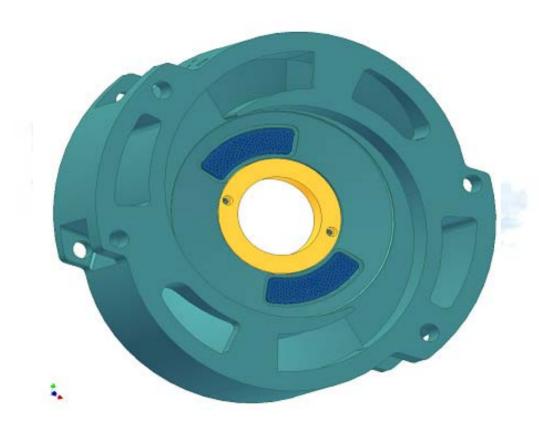




**Hydrostatic Bearing** 

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Volute with Strainers on Discharge Side of Impeller



- •Final Qualification Test Criteria
  - Conservative and realistic approach matches pump operation requirements with debris generation conditions
  - Limiting case is long-term operation at boron precipitation control flow rate (250 gpm) following a LBLOCA (i.e., LBLOCA debris)
  - Based on verification test results, nearly all fibrous insulation removed from containment and from test loop
  - Revised debris transport analysis to account for settling of concrete particles in sump and low flow areas



- Project Completion Plans
  - HPI pumps returned to site unmodified for Normal Operating Pressure test
  - Test loops being modified for qualification testing
  - Qualification test debris characterization being finalized
  - Qualification testing to begin in late August
  - Pump Guinard hydrostatic bearing design being adapted and improved for Davis-Besse HPI pumps
  - Hardfaced replacement parts ordered
  - Final pump modifications to be made following Normal Operating Pressure test





Jim Powers
Director - Engineering



- •Electrical Transient Analysis Program (ETAP) Results
  - ETAP is a state-of-the-art computer software program used to model the effects of plant transients on the electrical distribution system
  - Results evaluated to ensure electrical distribution system has sufficient capacity and capability to accomplish plant safety functions
- •Implement design modifications to improve voltage of essential busses and increase safety margin



- Operability Evaluation for first Mode 4
  - Use Administrative Controls for Technical Specifications
     Degraded Voltage Relay Setpoint Change
  - Limit non-essential loads to prevent voltage degradation
  - Require two qualified off-site to on-site circuits to be operable
  - Require grid voltage restrictions



- Project Status
  - Finalize grid voltage criteria
  - Implement modifications to eliminate restriction on non-essential loads



### Plant Readiness for Mode 4/3



## Mark Bezilla Vice President/Plant Manager



## **Purpose**

•Discuss Plant Readiness for Mode 4/3 and introduce the Restart Test Plan Manager responsible for the Start-Up Plan



### Plant Readiness for Mode 4/3

- •Demonstrated confidence in plant systems and equipment
  - Primary systems
    - Pressurized reactor coolant system
    - Ran reactor coolant pumps
    - Conducted 50 psig (May 6) and 250 psig (May 25) Leak Tests
    - Containment closure (July 3)
  - Secondary systems
    - Exercised Circulating Water, Condensate, Feedwater Systems
    - Established Main Condenser Vacuum
  - Plant modifications
  - Human performance
- Preparation for Mode 4/3 Test





### Plant Readiness for Mode 4/3

- •Restart Test Plan Manager is Rick Dame
  - Graduate of Ohio State University (B.S. Mechanical Engineering)
  - 18 years nuclear experience (Perry Nuclear Power Plant)
  - Previously Licensed Senior Reactor Operator
  - Experienced in Start-up Testing, System Engineering, Functional
     Leakage Testing, and ASME Section XI Test Programs
  - Project Manager for RFO Plant Shutdown and Startup Sequences





**Rick Dame Reliability Unit - Supervisor** 



- •Role of Restart Test Plan Manager
  - -Assist Operations Staff in detailing existing "Restart Plan"
  - -Will serve as a direct report to the Operations Manager who is responsible for approval and implementation of the plan
  - -During the organizational readiness assessments, will be a direct report to the FENOC Chief Operating Officer



- •Objectives of plan
  - Conduct Plant startup safely and event-free
  - Successfully perform required post-maintenance and modification testing
  - Assess organizational readiness to effectively implement Plant processes when challenged by any emergent issues



#### Initial Observations

- Operations Staff is well-trained,
   experienced, and competent
- Innovative simulator training for Plant heat-up has been completed
- Material condition of Plant is very good
- Equipment that has been returned to service has performed well



- Conduct Plant start-up safely and event-free
  - Detailed activity plan (Initial Mode 4 to 100 percent power)
  - Operator start-up task assignments and expectations
  - Plan includes 7 day rated pressure/temperature Reactor Coolant
     System (RCS) Integrity Test
  - All key activities will have dayshift/nightshift owners
  - Engage entire organization in support of Operations
  - 24/7 Management oversight throughout start-up sequence



- •Successfully conduct required post-maintenance and modification testing (PMTs)
  - Ownership of retests (Roles and responsibilities of Maintenance/Engineering/Radiation Protection)
     PMTs assigned with Owner
  - Vigilant monitoring of equipment
  - Contingency plans
  - We will exercise effective operational decision making principles if unexpected results are encountered



- •Organizational readiness to effectively implement Plant processes when faced with an emergent issue
  - Employ techniques used at peer stations to improve Plant operational focus/Operations leadership
  - Conduct emergent issue exercises during 7 day RCS Integrity Test
     (Procedure changes, equipment issues, Significant Root Cause
     Reports, use of Problem Solving Nuclear Operating Procdure)
  - Assess organizational performance



### Restart Milestones/Actions



### Mark Bezilla Vice President/Plant Manager



### **Restart Milestones/Actions**

•Four nozzles removed from original reactor vessel head and sent to Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Washington (August 2003)



Framatome ANP and NPS Employees Remove Nozzles





### **Restart Milestones**

- •Transitioning from Return to Service Plan to normal processes
- Installation of HPI Pumps
- •Completing remaining work required for Mode 4/3
- •Perform 7 day Full Pressure Test of Reactor Coolant System
- •Execute Restart Test Plan
- •Return to Mode 5 and assess results



### **Restart Actions for Mode 4/3**

- Items completed to date
  - -62 Modifications
  - -7763 Work Orders
  - -6242 Condition Report Evaluations
  - -6582 Corrective Actions



# NRC 0350 Oversight Panel's Restart Checklist

- •31 Checklist Items
  - −16 Complete
  - -5 Restart Actions Complete/Inspection in Progress
  - -3 Waiting Plant Conditions to Complete
  - -6 Restart Actions in Progress
  - -1 Closure of Confirmatory Action Letter



## Results of Safety Culture Assessment and Readiness for Mode 4/3



Lew Myers
Chief Operating Officer - FENOC



## **Safety Culture**

That assembly of characteristics and attitudes in organizations and individuals which establishes an overriding priority towards nuclear safety activities and ensures that issues receive the attention warranted by their significance.



## **Recent Safety Culture Assessment**

- •In July, Management team completed a two day assessment of Safety Culture in preparation of Mode 4/3
  - -Each Safety Culture commitment area was assessed
- Assessment oversight received
  - -Independent Industry Experts
  - -Company Nuclear Review Board Member
  - -Restart Overview Panel Member
  - –Quality Assurance



## Recent Safety Culture Assessment

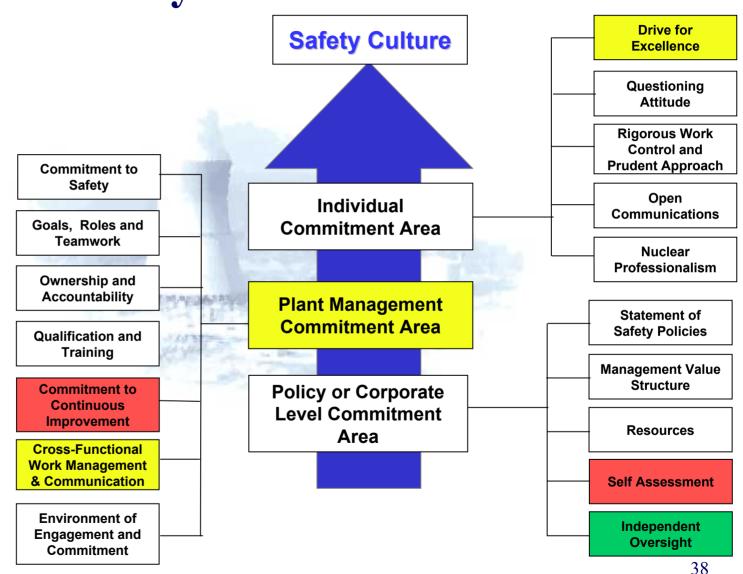
#### **Color Key**

All major areas are acceptable with a few minor indicator deviations

All major areas are acceptable with a few indicators requiring management attention

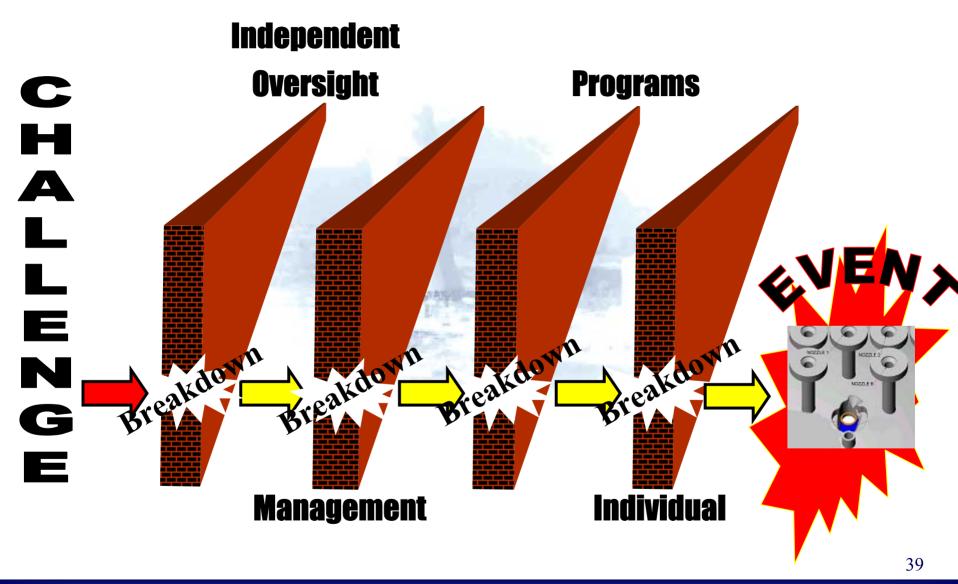
All major areas are acceptable with several indicators requiring prompt management action

Several major areas do not meet acceptable standards and require immediate management action





## **Barriers to Assure Safety**





# **Accomplishments Independent Oversight**

- •Enhanced Quality Assessment Organization
- Vice President Oversight
- Company Nuclear Review Board Rechartered
- Nuclear Committee of the Board
- Quality Control Realignment
- Safety Conscious Work Environment Program
- •Employee Concerns Program
- •INPO Assist Visits
- Restart Overview Panel
- •Quality Assurance Quarterly Assessment
- •Safety Culture Assessment





- •New Leadership Team
- •Management Alignment
- •Improved Operational Focus
- Management Observation Program
- •Safety Conscious Work Environment Review Team
- Added and Realigned Resources
- Engineering Assessment Board
- •Improved Regulatory Affairs Rigor
- Safety Culture Assessment Process
- •Elevated Project Review Committee
- •Leadership In Action Continuous Training







- Operating Experience Program
- Corrective Action Program
- Boric Acid Control Program
- •Integrated RCS Leak Rate Program
- •In-Service Inspection Program
- Modification Program
- Radiation Protection Program
- •Engineering Program Reviews (65)
- On-going Program Review Procedure
- Latent Issues Reviews
- System Health Reviews
- •On-line Risk Procedure
- Problem-solving/Decision Making



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## Accomplishments **Individual**

•50.9 Training

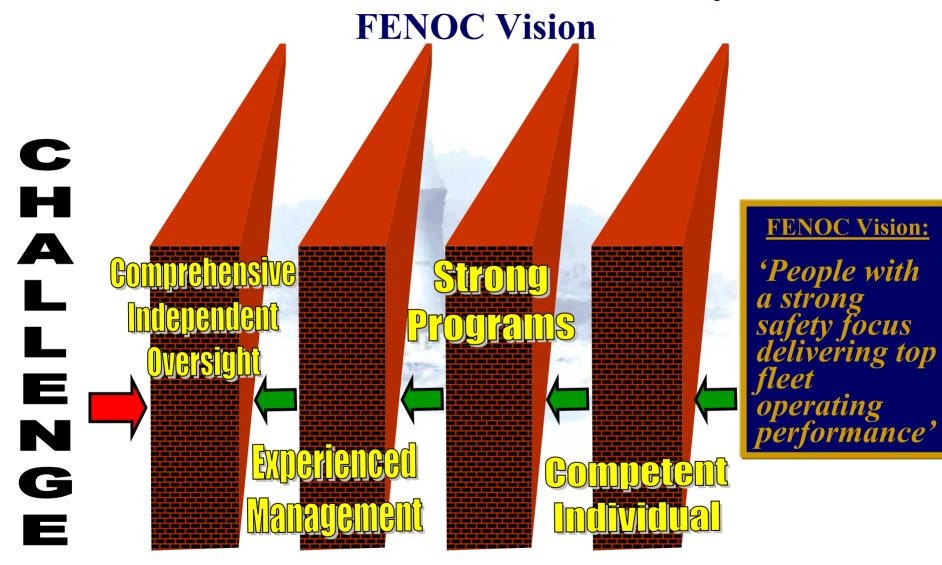
- •SRO Training
- Safety Conscious Work **Environment Training**
- Case Study

- Operability Evaluation Training
- Standards / Expectations
- •Corrective Action Program •Plant Access Training Training

- •Root Cause Training
- Ownership for Excellence Development Plans
  - -Nuclear Safety
  - -Nuclear Professionalism Development

## FirstEnergy.

## **Barriers to Assure Safety**





## **Quality Assurance Oversight**



Steve Loehlein

Manager – Nuclear Quality Assessment



## **Quality Assessments**

- Station Readiness
- Quality Assessment Organization Readiness
- Planned Oversight Activities



- Readiness of Systems/Equipment
  - -Using Continuous Assessment Process to monitor performance and document concerns
  - -Readiness will be established through completion of required restart activities



- •Readiness of Corrective Action Program
  - Corrective Action Review
    - 5402 completed Corrective Actions were reviewed
    - -4980 (92%) acceptable
    - 422 (8%) inconclusive/unacceptable
      - Documentation errors (3.8%)
      - Documentation linkage to action not clear (4.2%)
      - Condition Reports (CRs) were issued for these cases
    - Conclusion
      - Pending outcome of new CRs, in general, issues were not lost, but documentation of activities needs improvement



- •Focused Assessment of Corrective Action Program
  - Examined program since March, 2003
    - Interviews of managers, analysts, and other personnel
    - Oversight of the Corrective Action Review Board and Management Review Board
    - Sampled CRs for quality of work, and compliance with procedure
    - Sampled rollovers to check that they had been performed correctly



#### Conclusions

- Corrective Action Program is currently Satisfactory in finding and fixing identified problems
- Trending needs to be effectively implemented for the future
- Improvement is needed in the use of Performance Indicators
- Organization needs to continue to emphasize improvement in implementation



- •Readiness of Plant Staff
  - Ongoing assessments of safety culture
  - Ongoing assessments of department activities
    - Operations
    - Radiation Protection
    - Engineering
    - Maintenance
    - Training



# **Quality Assessment Organization Readiness for Mode 4/3**

- Organizational Readiness
  - Quality Assurance (QA) has completed corrective actions in response to Root Cause and Detailed Program Review
    - Implemented Organization's Structural Independence
    - Enhanced oversight of QA by Company Nuclear Review Board
    - Responded to weaknesses in Assessment Program and Assessor performance
  - Strong relationship established with Management
    - V.P. Oversight meets regularly with Board of Directors
    - Site management support of Quality Assessments is evident



## Oversight Activities for Mode 4/3

- Assessment Plan for Restart Activities
  - Continue Assessment of Return to Service Plan Activities
    - Adjusting Assessment Activities based on
       Organization's activities and plant conditions
  - Mode 4 Assessment Activities include:
    - Control Room Activities
    - Field Activities
    - Organizational Response to Emergent Issues
    - Training Activities
    - Oversight of Restart Test Plan Activities



## **Closing Comments**



Lew Myers
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